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A Scheme of Chances of Insurance

On the Lottery authorized by Law for raising 2250 dollars, for the Lexington Lodge, No. 25; to raise the same sum for the purpose of repairing the streets building stone bridges, paving, &c. the town of Lexington.

THE trustees of the town of Lexington, as the representatives of the inhabitants, submit the following scheme to their constituents, and to the citizens of the State at large. The inhabitants of the town, whether merchants, tradesmen or mechanics, and the farmers, planters and labourers of the country mutually depend upon, and assist each other. The inhabitants of the town have something to dispose of to the cultivators of the land, which he cannot manufacture for himself at the same price: on the other hand, as his occupation prevents him from labouring by his own labour in the field, the produce of the country, he is compelled to receive in return, for what he has furnished to the husbandman, that produce, either in the article itself, or the price of it.

These observations are verified by the great rise in the value of landed property adjacent to the town of Lexington, in consequence of the rise of property of the same description in other parts of the State, which can only be accounted for by the rapid improvement and increase of population in the town.

To the citizens of the State of Lexington, the trustees suggest that with the funds authorized by law to be collected and appropriated by them, the proceeds of seven years taxes will be sufficient to build stone bridges, to make sewers for carrying off the water, to sink wells and erect pumps (the necessity of which has been evidenced by the late calamity by fire) and to make such other repairs, as are necessary for the health, safety and convenience of their fellow-citizens. What purpose the temporary repairs heretofore made, have answered, which have even exceeded the amount of their funds, every citizen can determine. As the citizens of the State at large, they suggest that all increase of population is an increase of wealth; and that the increase of inhabitants who are employed in trade, manufactures, of various kinds, and who do not cultivate the earth, much increases the demand for the necessities of life, and the competition of purchasers for a foreign market; and that the proposed improvement of the town is the most likely way to procure such increase of population.

The trade and communication between the town and the country, resembles the circulation of the blood; it is first impelled to the heart, and from thence driven to warm and invigorate the most remote parts.

The scheme they propose is, that they will issue the same number of chances of insurance, as there are tickets in the Lexington Lodge lottery, with the same numbers, and at the same price, and they will pay to the holder of a chance of the same number, as a ticket which shall draw a prize in that lottery, the same sum which the fortunate holder of the ticket shall be entitled to.

The fortunate holder of chances of insurance, to be subject as the fortunate holder of tickets in that lottery, to a deduction of fifteen per centum.

LEWISBURG LOTTERY, No. 25.

1 Prize of 1500 Dollars in 1800.

2 — 500 — 1000

3 — 250 — 750

4 — 100 — 500

5 — 50 — 250

75 — 25 — 625

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100 — 25 — 2500

175 — 15 — 2550

250 — 10 — 2510

445 — 6 — 2640

Or of 100 each, being 1 for the first and 1 for the last

drawn ticket. 200

Dollars, 15,000

1006 prizes. 2 Not two blanks to a prize.

1994 blanks.

3000 tickets at 5 Dollars.

The holders of chances of insurance, who hold chances of the same numbers as the tickets which draw prizes, shall be paid the funds due to them in twenty days after the Lodge lottery is drawn.

A credit of one half of any number of chances shall be given until the said lottery shall have been drawn.

If the several times which shall be given due to the holders of chances shall not be called for within eighteen months, they will be considered as donations.

The chances of insurance depend upon the drawing of the Lexington Lodge lottery authorized by law, an account of a drawing of which is to be published in the Kentucky papers, showing the blanks and prizes.

Tickets may be had by applying to Hugh McCalla, James Morrison, Robert Patterson, George T. Gibson, Alexander Farmer, Thomas J. Jones, and James H. Hays, trustees of the town of Lexington, who will manage the insurance, and be answerable for prizes.

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MADRID, Jan. 2.

Our letters from Cadiz state, that the squadron commanded by Admiral Alva, has sailed with a great number of troops and a large train of artillery—it will be immediately followed by another squadron, under the command of Admiral Delano. These maritime forces are destined for Mexico, and it is said to be the object to succour our establishments in that quarter, which are attacked on all sides by the Indians.

VIENNA, Feb. 26.

The departure of his royal highness arch duke Charles to the army of the lower Rhine, of which he is to be commander in chief, is fixed for the 10th of next month. His equipage consisted of 62 persons and 100 horse, besides those of the train and remount, set out from this capital on the 17th inst. Almost immediately after the arrival of his royal highness at his head quarters the campaign will be opened; it will continue to be carried on offensively, and, according to every appearance, will be still more vigorous and sanguinary than the preceding ones, it being resolved, on, as we are told, that it shall be decisive. To carry the strength of our forces to its highest possible degree, the number of troops in the different cantonnements is reduced to a degree that has been unexampled in any preceding war. In those cantonnements, even in those of the frontiers, but one division intended for the exercise of the new recruits, will be left. In short, all the soldiers are to march either to the Rhine or for Italy; and the place of the battalions which are to set out will be filled with recruits. On the 17th, 18th

and 19th, the troops of the Spanish army, which were withdrawn from the frontiers of the Kingdom of Naples, have been ordered to march to the frontiers of the Kingdom of Naples.

The Italian states are exasperated by the treaty with the Algerians, by which we permit these corsairs to sell their prizes in the ports of Corsica. It is demanded that the English will permit the Algerians to sell their slaves also there. The object of Corsica will by this become the resort of these corsairs, and all the costs of the war will be met by their sale. It is this a thing, they say, for England to counsel this the life of their nation.

The papers on the table of the commons there is one item of 100,000 for bills drawn from and that said only to be the fee simple of the soil with half the money.

NEW YORK, April 25.

By the arrivals from London and Bristol on Saturday we have London papers to March the 16th which furnish a variety of information. The most agreeable account is some prospect of peace. The only ground of this expectation is that some ministerial papers announce from high authority, that negotiations are on the carpet between Great Britain and France.

The ship, *Sceptre*, of 64 guns, and the *Crescent* are ordered to convey 9 sail of transports, with the 16th regiment and a detachment of artillery to the Cape of Good Hope.

The news of the employment of dogs from the Havannah, to hunt down the *Mayanos* in Jamaica, excited much sentiment, and several resolutions in the House of Commons. This conduct was compared to that of the first Spanish settlers whose barbarous treatment excited universal horror.

But aside of custom, what is the real difference in point of humanity, between setting dogs to tear men to pieces, and ordering men to shoot them.

PHILADELPHIA, April 20.

There is a report from the *Vedettes* of a French frigate of 29 having taken and carried into Cadiz, an English fifty gunship. A letter from Martinique of Feb. 27 says, that the *Yellow Fever* has made great havoc among the shipping there, the *magical* of 74 guns, having lost in the course of five months above 200 men and the transports have lost an equal proportion. Dr. Charles Webster, of Edinburgh, died at St. Vincent's of that fatal epidemic.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman of Augusta (Georgia) to his friend in this city dated April 12.

"SINCE my last nothing of importance has turned up here. The sundry certificates you wished me to procure, cannot possibly be had at this time, because Clayton has not yet delivered over to Herrian a schedule of the monies in the treasury."

On my way from Washington court I called at Louisville about 8 days ago to procure the papers you wanted, but Herrian was gone to Savannah and nothing could be done; by his agent upon examining the records in the Secretary's office, I find that the *Ex-Senator* has omitted to confirm that part of the record which contained the mortgages, they remain entire, and being drawn up very specially they contain all the material parts of the law with a certificate on the face of them that the purchase money has been paid in full. It will appear from the monies delivered by the old to the new treasurer that Gen. Jackson had one of his warrants paid out of the *Texas* money, the other is said he kept for the purpose of paying taxes.

Few is appointed the judge for this district but the whole bar agree that the appointment is illegal and unconstitutional. At Washington there could be no business done, from a defect in the jury, but as the court was opened I stated in open court my objections to the constitutionality of his commission and was supported by others of the bar, the objections alarmed him much and he adjourned after saying that they had weight, and he would give them an attentive consideration. It may truly be said that the state is in more confusion now than at any period since the revolution.

Letters from Savannah mention that the bar of this place have determined that there shall be no courts alleging a defect in the judiciary about the jurors oath they with by this to procure a call of the legislature, should they effect this the whole Chatham representation now hold offices and that county must have a new election or be unrepresented except by James Jones."

NEW YORK, April 25.

The foreign accounts this day given were from London, appearing by the *Ohio*; they point out new plans of campaign; the prospect of peace is continually out of view. The *Glasgow Advertiser* of 25 February has the following and etc.

Friday, the magistrates and town council gave an elegant entertainment, in the entire evening to his excellency Robert Lillier ambassador to the sublime Porte who we understand, goes out immediately as minister from this country to the United States of America.

It would appear that the Dutch fleet which lately sailed from the Texel has well probably failed to reach in time to convey the *Pale* and *West-India* henceward bound ships which had taken refuge there and were waiting for conveyance.

A letter of 50,000 *ferins* has been proposed by the marine committee in Holland, the tickets to be distributed as a bounty for seamen to man their navy.

NORFOLK, April 18.

Extract of a letter from Martinique, to a gentleman in this town dated Port Royal 28th March.

Ten thousand troops are arrived at *San Pedro*; 2000 at *Granada*, and 2000 at *St. Vincent*; General Abercrombie and admiral Cornwallise are arrived at *San Pedro*, with part of the *Cook* fleet; the remainder are hourly expected. A French ship from *Guadaloupe* with 900 *heads* of sugar and coffee laid to be the property of victor Hughes is captured by a frigate and sent into *Antigua*. An embargo took place here about ten days ago. This is sent you by a vessel which obtained liberty to sail for Baltimore.

ALEXANDRIA, April 12.

Captain Black, of the *419* Ann, from St. Ubes, informs us that it was the city of Sevil and not Cadiz that lately received a shock of an earthquake; the greatest part of it has been destroyed. He also says the king of Spain has had a conference on the frontiers of Portugal, with the Duke Regent. His Catholic majesty's mediation in negotiating a peace between Portugal and the Republic of France was supposed to be the purport of the meeting.

STAUNTON, April 22, 1796.

Extract of a letter from a respectable gentleman in Lexington (Virginia) to the editor, dated April 12, 1796.

Yesterday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon a fire broke out at Mr. Windle's stable from which it instantly extended to his dwelling house and with unparalleled rapidity to all the buildings near the main street until it was fortunately stopped at Mr. Buffs: the wind blowing a brisk gale between N.W. and West, and the extreme dryness of the season gave to the flames such a degree of violence that the utmost exertions of the inhabitants proved fruitless. The fire was sometimes carried by the wind to the distance of one hundred and fifty yards. The loss of the inhabitants was very considerable but a few minutes could be employed in refusing any kind of property about twenty dwelling houses, ten shops, a number of lumber houses, floors &c. were burnt. The whole damage cannot reasonably be estimated at less than thirty thousand pounds—many of the inhabitants in an hour were reduced from affluence to poverty. The place exhibits a scene of desolation—providentially no lives were lost; although from the blowing up of houses by gun powder several people were badly wounded.

PITTSBURGH, May 7.

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, dated April 29. "In committee of the whole

Royal Majesty. Their mission is said to be the armistice proposed by the French to the court of Turin, and to the conditions, of which his Sardinian majesty cannot accede without the consent of our court.

HAGUE, March 4.

Yesterday the provincial administration of Holland was constituted and held their first sitting. This day a committee from thence appeared at the bar of the assembly, when the president informed them that the assembly would not intermeddle with the domestic affairs of any particular province.

LONDON, March 15.

We have got as good a *Vendée* in Ireland as the French can boast of in any part of the Republic; we have another in Jamaica; and those like the original, have cost infinitely more trouble to quell

WHITESTOWN, April 13.

I sat Monday, passed through this town an express for Niagara, Surindef have been frequent on the subject of this express. Some say he carries orders for the evacuation of the Western Posts, agreeable to Treaty; others that in consequence of the President's refusal to deliver certain papers relative to the treaty, he carries orders for a detention of the Posts, until such time as the necessary appropriations for carrying it into effect, are granted. Time will develop the true object of the express.

